

Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims

1. (Original) A weed-controlling mulching composition comprising a slurry comprising from 3 to 30% by weight of magnesia cement having a chemical composition comprising lightly baked magnesia and being non-stoichiometric and from 97 to 30% by weight of water.

2. (Original) The weed-controlling mulching composition according to claim 1, further comprising a glue material.

3. (Currently Amended) The weed-controlling mulching composition according to claim 1 ~~or 2~~, further comprising a herbicide.

4. (Currently Amended) The weed-controlling mulching composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, further comprising a colorant.

5. (Currently Amended) The weed-controlling mulching composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, further comprising a fertilizer.

6. (Currently Amended) The weed-controlling mulching composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 5~~ claim 1, further comprising a foaming agent.

7. (Currently Amended) The weed-controlling mulching composition according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 6~~ claim 1, the composition being molded into scales.